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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF	:	Administrative Action
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Vincent A. LaBruna, D.D.S.	:	CONSENT ORDER
License No. 22DI01778200	:	
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LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY	:	
<u>IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY</u>	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry (the "Board") upon receipt of a complaint alleging that Toothsavers of Fort Lee, New Jersey, engaged in repeated acts of negligence and failed to conform to the standard of care for dental practice in this State. Dr. Vincent A. LaBruna ("respondent") was a per diem dentist at Toothsavers for a short period of time and treated patients at Toothsavers.

Dr. LaBruna first treated J.H. on November 18, 2010, when he covered for J.H.'s treating orthodontist. Two years after receiving orthodontic care from Dr. LaBruna, J.H. claims that his appliances had to be removed by a subsequent treating dentist and retainers inserted to avoid bone loss. On July 24, 2013, respondent appeared

with counsel, Michael Quiat, Esq. at an investigative inquiry regarding this matter. Based on the records reviewed, including respondent's testimony at the investigative inquiry, and patient records and charts as maintained by Toothsavers, the Board is concerned that as a covering orthodontist, respondent may have failed to adequately apprise himself of the treatment plan prior to assuming and executing the treatment of J.H., failed to coordinate care with the original treating orthodontist and treated J.H. without reviewing prior patient records which may be a violation of Board's record keeping regulations.

During the investigative inquiry, it appears that respondent may have been practicing in an isolated environment that contributed to a failure to communicate with other treating orthodontists regarding the care and treatment of J.H.

Having reviewed the record created to date, it appears among other things that respondent may have failed to comply with the Board's record keeping rule, N.J.A.C. 13:30-8.7. Respondent denies these allegations. Notwithstanding, without making any admissions or otherwise conceding liability with respect thereto, and reserving his right to defend against any action that may be brought on the merit, respondent has agreed to voluntary entry of this order. The Board finds the entry of this consent order to be adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare and for good cause shown:

IT IS, THEREFORE, ON THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF December, 2014

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent is assessed \$10,000.00, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22(b).

2. Respondent is assessed costs in the amount of \$472.50 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.

3. Payment of \$10,472.50 shall be submitted by credit card, wire transfer, bank check, money order or by certified check made payable to the State of New Jersey and shall be sent to Jonathan Eisenmenger, Executive Director, P.O. Box 45005, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07101 no later than thirty (30) days from the entry of this Consent Order. Subsequent violations will subject respondent to enhanced penalties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.

4. Failure to remit any payment required by this Consent Order will result in the filing of a certificate of debt.

5. Failure to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Order may result in disciplinary action.

6. This Order is effective upon its filing with the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

By:

Shirley Birenz R.D.H., M.S.  
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Board President

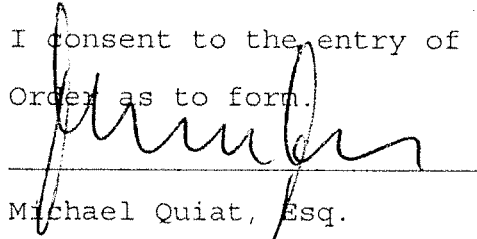
I have read and understand this  
Consent Order and agree  
to be bound by its terms. I consent  
to the entry of this Order.



Vincent A. LaBruna, D.D.S.

Date: 12-11-2014

I consent to the entry of this  
Order as to form.



Michael Quiat, Esq.

Attorney for Vincent A. LaBruna, D.D.D.

Date: 12/12/14